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Image Forming Method  
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Japanese reference No. 59-48774 is discussed on page 4 of the instant application and is equivalent to U.S. Patent No. 4,598,034.

Japanese references No. 8-069131, No. 6-51563 and No. 6-35231 are cited on page 8 in the instant application and are relevant for the reasons discussed therein.

Japanese references No. 7-181744 and No. 5-197214 are cited on page 9 of the instant application.

Japanese reference No. 8-194338 is cited on page 10 of the instant application, and Japanese reference No. 3168377, now Patent No. JP8006302, is cited on page 11 of the instant application.

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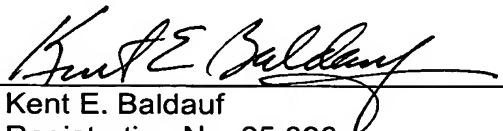
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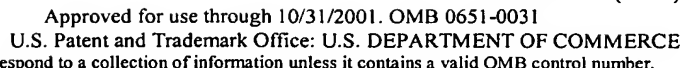
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